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A BILL
BILL HISTORY

This bill may be known as the UCSU Election Code Amendment Act of 2000.

BILL SUMMARY

This bill makes substantial changes in the UCSU Election Code, Revised for the Spring 2000 election under the provisions of the UCSU Election Code, Revised. Consideration is given to the Appellate Court's recent ruling on the unconstitutionality of Section 9.4 and 9.9, along with other problems with the code.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

SECTION 1: Amend Article III of the UCSU Election Code, Revised, Section 1.2, to say: "The Election Committee shall consist of up to ten members, as consistent with the UCSU Bylaws."

SECTION 2: Amend Article V, Section 1.1, to say: "Elections held during the fall semester shall be held on the last Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday occurring together in October. Voting on Monday shall begin at 12:00 p.m. and terminate on Friday at 11:59:59 a.m.

SECTION 3: Amend Article V, Section 2.1, to say: "Elections held during the Spring semester shall be held on the second Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday occurring together in April. Voting on Monday shall begin at 12:00 p.m. and terminate on Friday at 11:59:59 a.m.

SECTION 4: Amend Article VI, Section 2.8, to say "All petitions of candidacy must be returned to the election Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner or UCSU Office Manager by 5 p.m. on the day of the Mandatory Candidates Meeting. Petitions for candidacy will not be accepted past this time."

SECTION 5: Amend article VI, Section 2.12 to say: "Campaign packet consisting of candidacy petitions and a copy of the Election Code shall be made available in the UCSU Office at least five weeks before the election."

SECTION 6: Strike Article VI, Section 3.5.

SECTION 7: Amend Article VI, Section 9.3 to include, "or Office Manager", in first sentence.

SECTION 8: Amend Article VI, Section 9.4 to say: "All candidates, both Representative and Executive, are required to submit a financial statement of all campaign expenditures on a form the Election Commission will provide at the Mandatory Candidate's Meeting. This statement is due at 5 p.m. on the final day, Friday, of the election. Financial statements are due by 5 p.m. to the Election Commissioner or Office Manager in the UCSU Office. The Election Commissioner or UCSU Office staff will sign and date each financial statement upon receipt."

SECTION 9: Amend Article VI, Section 9.5 to say: "The election commissioner shall be responsible for making verbal/written contact with each candidate themselves two times following the Mandatory Candidate's Meeting and before the polls close, to the best of the Election Commissioner's ability. These contacts will include information regarding deadlines and consequences for failure to comply with these deadlines."

SECTION 10: Strike Article VI, Section 9.9

SECTION 11: Strike last sentence of Article VI, Section 9.3.

SECTION 12: Strike Article VI, Section 10.3.

SECTION 13: Strike the last sentence of Article VI, Section 10.7

SECTION 14: Amend Article VI, new Section 10.8, to say: "An automatic disqualification is defined as an intentional offense which has a major impact on the outcome of the election. Intentional offenses are failure to return financial statements on time, violation of the 2% Rule regarding spending limits, and three minor infractions. Each of these results in disqualification."

SECTION 15: Strike the word "final" from last sentence, Article VI, Section 11.2.

SECTION 16: Strike the word "Article VI" from the first sentence of Article I, Section 1.

SECTION 17: Strike the word "partisan" from the second sentence of Article I, Section 2.

SECTION 18: Amend article I, Section 3.10, to say, "This section includes all employees of UCSU Proper."

SECTION 19: The server I-Vote is hosted on must be operational and funtionally tabulating votes for a minimum of 86 hours during the election period for the election to be valid. The election will continue until at least 86 hours are reached.

SECTION 20: This bill takes effect upon passage, and does not require Executive signatures to be enacted.

Feb. 24, 2000	Introduced	
March 2, 2000	Passed	13-0-0

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